 <p>MOTION IMAGERY STANDARDS BOARD</p> <p>STANDARD</p> <p>Motion Imagery Sensor Minimum Metadata Set</p>	<p>MISB ST 0902.6</p> <p>23 February 2017</p>
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1 Scope

This standard defines the Motion Imagery Sensor Minimum Metadata Set (MISMMS) that enables the basic capabilities of Situational Awareness, Discovery & Retrieval, and Cross-Domain Dissemination. In addition, the standard provides direction on the encoding of the MISMMS for low-bitrate to high-bitrate scenarios to support a transition path from analog systems towards all digital Motion Imagery Systems.

2 References

- [1] MISB ST 0601.11 UAS Datalink Local Set, Feb 2017.
- [2] MISB MISP-2017.2 Motion Imagery Standards Profile, Feb 2017.
- [3] MISB ST 0107.2 Bit and Byte Order for Metadata in Motion Imagery Files and Streams, Feb 2014.
- [4] MISB ST 0102.11 Security Metadata Universal and Local Sets for Digital Motion Imagery, Oct 2014.
- [5] MISB ST 1204.1 Motion Imagery Identification System (MIIS) Core Identifier, Oct 2013.

3 Acronyms

BER	Basic Encoding Rules
D&R	Discovery and Retrieval
FoV	Field of View
HAE	Height above Ellipsoid
ISR	Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance
KLK	Key Length Value
LS	Local Set
MFG	Metadata Focus Group
MIIS	Motion Imagery Identification System
MISB	Motion Imagery Standards Board
MISMMS	Motion Imagery Sensor Minimum Metadata Set
MISP	Motion Imagery Standards Profile
MSL	Mean Sea Level

NATO	North Atlantic Treaty Organization
NGA	National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency
NIAT	NGA Interoperability Action Team
NTB	NITF Technical Board
SA	Situational Awareness
STANAG	Standardization Agreement
TLV	Tag Length Value
UL	Universal Label
USCENTCOM	U.S. Central Command

4 Revision History

Revision	Date	Summary of Changes
0902.6	02/23/2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Added Sensor Ellipsoid Height Extended (Tag 104) as option for Sensor Altitude Changed Tag's 3, 10, 11, 12, 48/3, 48/4, 48/5, 48/6 Units to "None" and Type to "ISO 646" Changed Tag 48/13 Units to "None" and Type to "UTF-16" Updated References

5 Introduction, Intent, and General Implementation Rules

The MISMMS consists of metadata elements from MISB ST 0601 [1], which enable the baseline functionality required for Discovery & Retrieval / Cross-Domain Dissemination of source imagery and the Situational Awareness Product for ISR mission accomplishment as defined in the MISP [2].

The initial MISMMS was developed jointly by the Motion Imagery Standards Board (MISB), the NITFS Technical Board (NTB), the NGA Interoperability Action Team (NIAT), and the Metadata Focus Group (MFG) with additional subject matter expert input from U.S. Central Command (USCENTCOM), NATO Standardization Agreement (STANAG) 4586, and the Unmanned Systems community.

As Motion Imagery systems begin to migrate to all-digital architectures, some systems in transition still require the consistent preservation of certain analog system characteristics. This standard identifies how to encode the source-derived metadata from a Motion Imagery sensor into a MISB KLV metadata set.

6 Motion Imagery Sensor Minimum Metadata Set

The MISMMS is a Local Set profile of MISB ST 0601 with all elements mandatory unless conditionally dependent.

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Requirement(s)	
ST 0902.3-01	All metadata shall be expressed in accordance with MISB ST 0107 [3].
ST 0902.3-02	The MISMMS shall use MISB ST 0601 [1] Local Set 16-byte Universal Key (06.0E.2B.34.02.0B.01.01.0E.01.03.01.01.00.00.00 (CRC 56773)) for its implementation.
ST 0902.3-03	The elements of the MISMMS as defined in MISB ST 0902 Table 1 shall be populated in accordance with MISB ST 0601 requirements.
ST 0902.3-04	All metadata elements contained in the MISMMS shall be reported no less than once every thirty (30) seconds under all circumstances.

Please refer to MISB ST 0601 [1] for further information on each element. Of interest, Tag 48 of MISB ST 0601 contains a nested security Local Set as defined in MISB ST 0102 [4]. Please refer to MISB ST 0102 for further information regarding each security element. MISB ST 0601 also contains reference to a Motion Imagery Core Identifier as defined in MISB ST 1204 [5]. Please refer to MISB ST 1204 for further information regarding the Motion Imagery Core Identifier.

Note 1: Platform Pitch Angle (Tag 6 | 90), Platform Roll Angle (Tag 7 | 91), Sensor True Altitude as MSL (Tag 15) | Sensor Ellipsoid Height as HAE (Tag 75) | Sensor Ellipsoid Height Extended as HAE (Tag 104), Frame Center Elevation as MSL (Tag 25) | Frame Center Height Above Ellipsoid (Tag 78), and Target Width (Tag 22) | Target Width Extended (Tag 96) are governed by an “inclusive or” within MISB ST 0601 with one exception. The use of Tag 75 and Tag 104 is governed by an “exclusive OR.”

Note 2: A Motion Imagery Core Identifier (Tag 94) is required as the Motion Imagery data is disseminated from the “system”, where the system is the composite of the platform and control station (*i.e.* Ground Control Station).

6.1 Local Set Elements

The MISMMS elements are listed in Table 1, which has the following column designations:

- **Tag** is the Local Set tag number for the element in the MISMMS.
- **Element Name** is the name of the element.
- **Range & Units** provides the allowed range and unit of specification for the value.
- **Type** indicates the data type of the element.
- **Length** is the number of bytes allowed for the element.

Table 1: Summary of MISMMS Tags

Tag	Element Name	Range & Units	Type	Length (Bytes)
1	Checksum	None	uint16	2
2	Precision Time Stamp	Microseconds	uint64	8
3	Mission ID	None	ISO 646	variable
5	Platform Heading Angle	0-360 Degrees	uint16	2
6	Platform Pitch Angle (Short)	+/- 20 Degrees	int16	2
90	Platform Pitch Angle (Full)	+/- 90 Degrees	int32	4
7	Platform Roll Angle (Short)	+/- 50 Degrees	int16	2
91	Platform Roll Angle (Full)	+/- 90 Degrees	int32	4
10	Platform Designation	None	ISO 646	variable
11	Image Source Sensor	None	ISO 646	variable
12	Image Coordinate System	None	ISO 646	variable
13	Sensor Latitude	+/- 90 Degrees	int32	4
14	Sensor Longitude	+/- 180 Degrees	int32	4
15	Sensor True Altitude (MSL)	-900 to 19000m	uint16	2
75	Sensor Ellipsoid Height (HAE)	-900 to 19000m	uint16	2
104	Sensor Ellipsoid Height Extended (HAE)	-900 to 40000m	IMAPB	2
16	Sensor Horizontal FoV	0 to 180 Degrees	uint16	2
17	Sensor Vertical FoV	0 to 180 Degrees	uint16	2
18	Sensor Relative Azimuth Angle	0 to 360 Degrees	uint32	4
19	Sensor Relative Elevation Angle	+/- 180 Degrees	int32	4
20	Sensor Relative Roll Angle	0 to 360 Degrees	uint32	4
21	Slant Range	0 to 5000000 m	uint32	4
22	Target Width	0 to 10000 m	uint16	2
96	Target Width Extended	0 to 1500000 m	IMAPB	3
23	Frame Center Latitude	+/- 90 Degrees	int32	4
24	Frame Center Longitude	+/- 180 Degrees	int32	4
25	Frame Center Elevation (MSL)	-900 to 19000 m	uint16	2
78	Frame Center Height Above Ellipsoid (HAE)			
48/1	Security Classification	Look Up Table	uint8	1
48/2	Classifying Country & Releasing Instructions Country Coding Method	Look Up Table	uint8	1
48/3	Classifying Country	None	ISO 646	variable
48/4	Security-SCI/SHI Information	None	ISO 646	variable
48/5	Caveats	None	ISO 646	variable
48/6	Releasing Instructions	None	ISO 646	variable
48/12	Object Country Coding Method	Look Up Table	uint8	1
48/13	Object Country Codes	None	UTF-16	variable
48/22	Security Metadata Version	Integer	uint16	2
65	UAS Local Set Version	Integer	uint8	1
94	Motion Imagery Core Identifier	None	binary	50

7 Annex A: Recommended MISMMS Element Frequency – Informative

This section addresses the presence and frequency of individual data elements within the MISMMS.

Some metadata elements change more frequently than others. When sending metadata in bandwidth-constrained environments, it is more efficient to dedicate the bulk of the available bandwidth to the dynamic items (“Dynamic”) with frequently changing values, and include the constant items (“Constant”) less often. This section provides guidance in the form of a “*recommended update rate*” for each element of the MISMMS.

Some of the security metadata elements may be omitted as they are conditional. Further direction on this topic is found in MISB ST 0102.

Recommendation Summary for MISMMS Frequency (see

Table 2):

1. Include Tags 3, 10, 11, 12, 48 sub-tags & 94 once every 10 seconds
2. Include all other elements as often as possible, within the available bandwidth and up to the frame rate

The rate at which “Dynamic” items update varies depending on the available bandwidth of the system, and how frequently the metadata values are refreshed. In some systems, it is desirable to have metadata updated for each Motion Imagery frame. For a specific worked example, see Annex B: Example MISMMS Element Rate Calculations – Informative.

Note: it is not mandatory to make each metadata packet contain every metadata element; Annex B demonstrates the viability of transmitting the MISMMS in a bandwidth-constrained environment. Given sufficient bandwidth other metadata packet configurations (*e.g.* more packets each containing fewer elements) are permissible.

Table 2: Recommended Update Rate for MISMMS Elements

Tag #	Tag Name	Max Length (Bytes)	Rec Update Interval
1	Checksum	2	Fast
2	Precision Time Stamp	8	Fast
3	Mission ID	127	10 s
5	Platform Heading Angle	2	Fast
6	Platform Pitch Angle (Short)	2	Fast
90	Platform Pitch Angle (Full)	4	Fast
7	Platform Roll Angle (Short)	2	Fast
91	Platform Roll Angle (Full)	4	Fast
10	Platform Designation	127	10 s
11	Image Source Sensor	127	10 s
12	Image Coordinate System	127	10 s
13	Sensor Latitude	4	Fast
14	Sensor Longitude	4	Fast
15	Sensor True Altitude (MSL)	2	Fast
75	Sensor Ellipsoid Height (HAE)	2	
104	Sensor Ellipsoid Height Extended (HAE)	2	
16	Sensor Horizontal FoV	2	Fast
17	Sensor Vertical FoV	2	Fast
18	Sensor Relative Azimuth Angle	4	Fast
19	Sensor Relative Elevation Angle	4	Fast
20	Sensor Relative Roll Angle	4	Fast
21	Slant Range	4	Fast
22	Target Width	2	Fast
96	Target Width Extended	3	Fast
23	Frame Center Latitude	4	Fast
24	Frame Center Longitude	4	Fast
25	Frame Center Elevation (MSL)	2	Fast
78	Frame Center Height Above Ellipsoid (HAE)		
48/1	Security Classification	1	10 s
48/2	Classifying Country & Releasing Instructions Country Coding Method	1	10 s
48/3	Classifying Country	6*	10 s
48/4	Security-SCI/SHI Information	40*	10 s
48/5	Caveats	32*	10 s
48/6	Releasing Instructions	40*	10 s
48/12	Object Country Coding Method	1	10 s
48/13	Object Country Codes	40*	10 s
48/22	Security Metadata Version	2	10 s
65	UAS Local Set Version	1	Fast
94	Motion Imagery Core Identifier	50	10 s

Note 3: * indicates the maximum length for these elements are only representative for the example in Appendix B as MISB ST 0102 does not define a maximum length.

8 Annex B: Example MISMMS Element Rate Calculations – Informative

This section provides bandwidth budget calculations, assuming a 9600 bits-per-second channel for metadata.

Calculations are presented for two general scenarios:

1. Scenario 1: Assumes all content is present in each KLV packet
2. Scenario 2: Assumes all content is not present in each KLV packet

8.1 Scenario 1: All Content Always Present

Worst Case: 18 bytes (16-byte Local Set UL Key + 2-byte Local Set Length) + 77 bytes (38 1-byte Tags, 38 1-byte Lengths & Security Local Set (1-byte Tag & 2-byte Length)) + 795 bytes (Payload) = 892 bytes = 7136 bits. Assuming serial transmission overhead of 1 start bit and 1 stop bit per byte, there are 8920 bits total. This allows for one metadata update per second at 9600 bits per second.

Typical Case: Limit Strings to 20 bytes, eliminate Tags 6, 7, 15, 22 & 25, and reduce MIIS to 34 bytes. 18 bytes (16-byte Local Set UL Key + 2-byte Local Set Length) + 68 bytes (33 1-byte Tags, 33 1-byte Lengths & Security Local Set (1-byte Tag & 1-byte Length)) + 269 bytes (Payload) = 355 bytes = 2840 bits. Serial overhead factor of 1.25 assumed, yielding 3550 bits total. Enables two metadata updates per second at 9600 bits per second.

8.2 Scenario 2: Content Present at Variable Rates

If the data rates of individual metadata elements are varied, there are more options. In particular, Table 3 shows rate calculations when the constraints in the Typical Case are combined with the update rates of

Table 2.

Table 3: Rate Calculation for “Dynamic Only” & “Dynamic & Constant” Packets

Description	Totals	“Dynamic Only”	“Dynamic & Constant”
Bytes for Data Fields		64	269
Bytes for Local Set Key & Length		17	18
Bytes for Tags & Lengths		38	68
Bytes to Transmit		119	355
Bits to Transmit		952	2840
Bits for Serial Overhead ¹ for 8-N-1		238	710
Bits Sent per KLV Packet		1190	3550
Bits / 10 s Interval @ 9600 bits per second	96000		
Bits Remaining After “Dynamic & Constant” Packet	92460		
Possible “Dynamic Only” Packets / 10 s Interval in Bits Remaining	77.689		
Whole “Dynamic Only” Packets / 10 s Interval in Bits Remaining	77		

That is, in a 10-second interval, it is possible to send one “Dynamic & Constant” MISMMS packet followed by 77 “Dynamic Only” MISMMS packets.

If each packet (“Dynamic Only” or “Dynamic & Constant”) is separated by an equal-sized gap in time, then the rate calculations are as shown in Table 4:

Table 4: Rate Calculation for “Dynamic Only” & “Dynamic & Constant” Packets with Gaps

Description	Totals
Whole “Dynamic Only” Packets / 10 s	77
Bits / 10 s @ 9600 bits per second	96000
Bits / 78 “Dynamic Only” Packets	91630
Bits / 1 “Dynamic & Constant” Packet	3550
Bits Remaining	820
# of Gaps	78
Bits / Gap	10.51282
Gap Time @ 9600 bps (microseconds)	1095.085

¹ Assumes serial (RS-232 or RS-485) transmission with 1 start bit, 0 parity bits, and 1 stop bit for each byte (*i.e.* 10 bits transmitted for every 8 bits of data)

This packet schedule repeats every 10 seconds (see Figure 1):

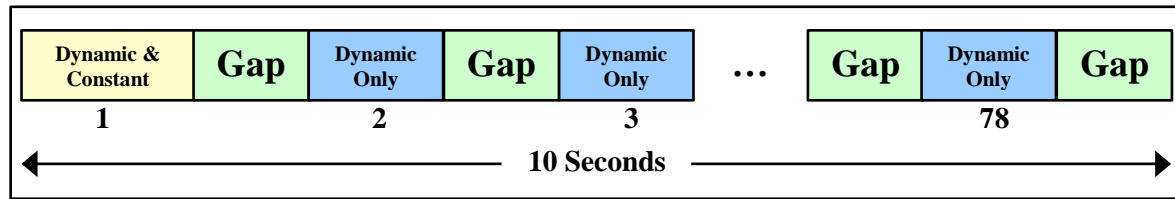


Figure 1: Time Interval with “Dynamic Only” Packets and Gaps

9 Annex C: Example MISMMS Data Packets – Informative

This section constructs hypothetical example MISMMS data packets and presents the encoding. All values shown in Table 5 are for illustration purposes only. The Tag-Length-Value (TLV) encoded data are shown as hexadecimal bytes.

Table 5: Example “Dynamic & Constant” MISMMS Packet Data

Tag #	Tag Name	Value	Interpretation	TLV Hex Bytes
2	Precision Time Stamp	1,231,798,102,000,000 microseconds	Mon Jan 12 2009 22:08:22	02 08 00 04 60 50 58 4E 01 80
3	Mission ID	Mission 12	Mission 12	03 0A 4D 69 73 73 69 6F 6E 20 31 32
5	Platform Heading Angle	0x71C2	159.974 Degrees	05 02 71 C2
6	Platform Pitch Angle (Short)	0xFD3D	-0.4315 Degrees	06 02 FD 3D
7	Platform Roll Angle (Short)	0x08B8	3.406 Degrees	07 02 08 B8
10	Platform Designation	Predator	Predator	0A 08 50 72 65 64 61 74 6F 72
11	Image Source Sensor	EO Nose	EO Nose	0B 07 45 4F 20 4E 6F 73 65
12	Image Coordinate System	Geodetic WGS84	Geodetic WGS84	0C 0E 47 65 6F 64 65 74 69 63 20 57 47 53 38 34
13	Sensor Latitude	0x5595B66D	60.17682297 Degrees	0D 04 55 95 B6 6D
14	Sensor Longitude	0x5B5360C4	128.42675904 Degrees	0E 04 5B 53 60 C4
15	Sensor True Altitude (MSL)	0xC221	14190.7 Meters	0F 02 C2 21
16	Sensor Horizontal FoV	0xCD9C	144.571 Degrees	10 02 CD 9C
17	Sensor Vertical FoV	0xD917	152.644 Degrees	11 02 D9 17
18	Sensor Rel. Az. Angle	0x724A0A20	160.71921144 Degrees	12 04 72 4A 0A 20
19	Sensor Rel. El. Angle	0x87F84B86	-168.79232483 Degrees	13 04 87 F8 4B 86
20	Sensor Rel. Roll Angle	0x7DC55ECE	176.86543765 Degrees	14 04 7D C5 5E CE
21	Slant Range	0x03830926	68590.983 Meters	15 04 03 83 09 26

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22	Target Width	0x1281	722.8 Meters	16 02 12 81
23	Frame Center Lat.	0xF101A229	-10.54238863 Degrees	17 04 F1 01 A2 29
24	Frame Center Lon.	0x14BC082B	29.15789012 Degrees	18 04 14 BC 08 2B
25	Frame Center El. (MSL)	0x34F3	3216.0 Meters	19 02 34 F3
48/1	Security Classification	0x01	UNCLASSIFIED//	01 01 01
48/2	Classifying Country and Releasing Instructions Country Coding Method	0x07	STANAG-1059 Three Letter	02 01 07
48/3	Classifying Country	//USA	//USA	03 05 2F 2F 55 53 41
48/4	Security-SCI/SHI Information	<None>	<None>	
48/5	Caveats	<None>	<None>	
48/6	Releasing Instructions	<None>	<None>	
48/12	Object Country Coding Method	0x07	STANAG-1059 Three Letter	0C 01 07
48/13	Object Country Codes	\u0055\u0053\u0041	USA	0D 06 00 55 00 53 00 41
48/22	Security Metadata Version	10	MISB Standard 0102.10	16 02 00 0A
65	UAS Local Set Version	0x06	MISB Standard 0601.6	41 01 06
94	Motion Imagery Core Identifier			5E 22 01 70 F5 92 F0 23 73 36 4A F8 AA 91 62 C0 0F 2E B2 DA 16 B7 43 41 00 08 41 A0 BE 36 5B 5A B9 6A 36 45
1	Checksum	0xAA43	0xAA43	01 02 AA 43

The TLV bytes are appended end-to-end, and together form the Value portion of the encompassing KLV packet. In the “Dynamic & Constant” packet, there are 210 bytes of TLV data – encoded as the length of the KLV packet. Lengths up to 127 bytes are encoded in BER short form. Lengths of 128 bytes or greater are encoded in BER long form. In this case, 210 bytes are encoded as the BER long form length of 0x81D2.

The Local Set begins with its 16-byte UL key, followed by the length of the data set (0x81D2), which is then followed by the TLV triplets listed above in order. In hex, the complete MISMMS “Dynamic & Constant” example KLV packet is:

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06	0E	2B	34	02	0B	01	01	0E	01	03	01	01	00	00	00
81	D2	02	08	00	04	60	50	58	4E	01	80	03	0A	4D	69
73	73	69	6F	6E	20	31	32	05	02	71	C2	06	02	FD	3D
07	02	08	B8	0A	08	50	72	65	64	61	74	6F	72	0B	07
45	4F	20	4E	6F	73	65	0C	0E	47	65	6F	64	65	74	69
63	20	57	47	53	38	34	0D	04	55	95	B6	6D	0E	04	5B
53	60	C4	0F	02	C2	21	10	02	CD	9C	11	02	D9	17	12
04	72	4A	0A	20	13	04	87	F8	4B	86	14	04	00	00	00
00	15	04	03	83	09	26	16	02	12	81	17	04	F1	01	A2
29	18	04	14	BC	08	2B	19	02	34	F3	30	1C	01	01	01
02	01	07	03	05	2F	2F	55	53	41	0C	01	07	0D	06	00
55	00	53	00	41	16	02	00	0A	41	01	06	5E	22	01	70
F5	92	F0	23	73	36	4A	F8	AA	91	62	C0	0F	2E	B2	DA
16	B7	43	41	00	08	41	A0	BE	36	5B	5A	B9	6A	36	45
01	02	AA	43												

	Key (16 byte SMPTE Universal Label)
	Length (BER long form)
	Length (BER short form)
	Tag (Local Set Identifier)
	Value (Interpretation depends on tag data type)
	Grid Patterned Colors (Denotes nested metadata Set)

The next example, which uses the values in Table 6, illustrates the details of a hypothetical “Dynamic Only” MISMMS data packet.

Table 6: Example “Dynamic Only” MISMMS Packet Data

Tag #	Tag Name	Value	Interpretation	TLV Hex Bytes
2	Precision Time Stamp	1,231,798,102,000,000 microseconds	Mon Jan 12 2009 22:08:22	02 08 00 04 60 50 58 4E 01 80
5	Platform Heading Angle	0x71C2	159.974 Degrees	05 02 71 C2
6	Platform Pitch Angle (Short)	0xFD3D	-0.4315 Degrees	06 02 FD 3D
7	Platform Roll Angle (Short)	0x08B8	3.406 Degrees	07 02 08 B8
13	Sensor Latitude	0x5595B66D	60.17682297 Degrees	0D 04 55 95 B6 6D
14	Sensor Longitude	0x5B5360C4	128.42675904 Degrees	0E 04 5B 53 60 C4
15	Sensor True Altitude (MSL)	0xC221	14190.7 Meters	0F 02 C2 21
16	Sensor Horizontal FoV	0xCD9C	144.571 Degrees	10 02 CD 9C
17	Sensor Vertical FoV	0xD917	152.644 Degrees	11 02 D9 17
18	Sensor Rel. Az. Angle	0x724A0A20	160.71921144 Degrees	12 04 72 4A 0A 20
19	Sensor Rel. El. Angle	0x87F84B86	-168.79232483 Degrees	13 04 87 F8 4B 86
20	Sensor Rel. Roll Angle	0x7DC55ECE	176.86543765 Degrees	14 04 7D C5 5E CE
21	Slant Range	0x03830926	68590.983 Meters	15 04 03 83 09 26
22	Target Width	0x1281	722.8 Meters	16 02 12 81
23	Frame Center Lat.	0xF101A229	-10.54238863 Degrees	17 04 F1 01 A2 29
24	Frame Center Lon.	0x14BC082B	29.15789012 Degrees	18 04 14 BC 08 2B
25	Frame Center El. (MSL)	0x34F3	3216.0 Meters	19 02 34 F3
65	UAS Local Set Version	0x06	MISB Standard 0601.6	41 01 06
1	Checksum	0xC850	0xC850	01 02 C8 50

Again, the TLV triplets are appended end-to-end; together they form the Value portion of the encompassing KLV packet. In the “Dynamic Only” packet, there are 97 bytes of TLV data – encoded as the length of the KLV packet. As the length of 97 bytes is less than 128 bytes, it is encoded as the BER short form length of 0x61.

The Local Set begins with its 16-byte UL key, followed by the length 0x61, which is then followed by all the TLV triplets as listed above in order. In hex, the complete MISMMS “Dynamic Only” example KLV packet is:

06	0E	2B	34	02	0B	01	01	0E	01	03	01	01	00	00	00
61	02	08	00	04	60	50	58	4E	01	80	05	02	71	C2	06
02	FD	3D	07	02	08	B8	0D	04	55	95	B6	6D	0E	04	5B
53	60	C4	0F	02	C2	21	10	02	CD	9C	11	02	D9	17	12
04	72	4A	0A	20	13	04	87	F8	4B	86	14	04	00	00	00
00	15	04	03	83	09	26	16	02	12	81	17	04	F1	01	A2
29	18	04	14	BC	08	2B	19	02	34	F3	41	01	06	01	02
C8	50														

Legend

	Key (16 byte SMPTE Universal Label)
	Length (BER long form)
	Length (BER short form)
	Tag (Local Set Identifier)
	Value (Interpretation depends on tag data type)

10 Annex D: Basis for Metadata Inclusion in MISMMS – Informative

This section provides motivation for the inclusion of each item in the MISMMS. Please note that the metadata tags enumerated herein constitute the threshold set to meet two primary ISR missions: Discovery & Retrieval (D&R) and ISR Situational Awareness (ISR SA). The D&R mission refers to storage of Motion Imagery within an archive, and subsequent search and access to the archive. Users needing additional elements are encouraged to use other elements from MISB ST 0601 or other MISB metadata elements as appropriate.

SA as defined in the MISB is “the human perception of the elements of the operational environment in the context of the forces, space, and time, the comprehension of their meaning, and the projection of their status in the near future.” SA is subjective; it is perhaps easier to define a SA Product in objective terms.

The MISB defines a SA Product as “a concise, transportable summary of the state of friendly and enemy elements conveyed through information such as Motion Imagery, imagery, or other data that can contribute to the development of SA either locally or at some distant node.”

In other words, a SA Product is a collection of those objectives – quantifiable pieces of information that assist someone in the formations of SA for a specific context. In the context of ISR, a SA Product answers three questions regarding an asset: *who* is it, *where* is it, and *what* is it doing?

Elements from MISB ST 0601 have been chosen as needed to support the D&R and ISR SA tasks as follows:

Checksum (Tag 1): This element is necessary to ensure the data contained in an instance of a MISB ST 0601 Local Set has not been corrupted during transmission.

Precision Time Stamp (Tag 2): This element is necessary as it addresses the time for which all other elements in each MISB ST 0601 Local Set are valid – geospatial information must have a temporal component.

Mission ID (Tag 3): This element is the basis for many D&R queries.

Platform Heading / Platform Pitch / Platform Roll (Tags 5, 6 | 90, 7 | 91): These elements define the orientation of an airborne asset, which can be used to predict its future position.

Platform Designation (Tag 10): This element supports both D&R queries and ISR SA regarding the presence of friendly assets.

Image Source Sensor (Tag 11): As some platforms have multiple sensors, information that addresses what sensor is used refines the information included under Platform Designation (Tag 10) for both D&R and ISR SA.

Image Coordinate System (Tag 12): Defines a reference coordinate system for all measurements related to the Earth. It is an essential element in clearly defining measurements such as Latitude, Longitude, elevation, altitude, etc. fundamental to D&R and ISR SA.

Sensor Latitude / Sensor Longitude / Sensor Altitude (Tags 13, 14, 15 | 75): These elements define the position of the active sensor and can be combined with Platform heading / pitch / roll to predict future position of the sensor.

Sensor Field of View-Horizontal / Sensor Field of View-Vertical (Tags 16-17): These two elements define the size of the field-of-view of the active sensor. This supports D&R queries related to pixel resolution of the target, and ISR SA by assisting in defining the area of interest for the asset.

Sensor Relative Azimuth Angle / Sensor Relative Elevation Angle / Sensor Relative Roll Angle (Tags 18-20): When combined with Platform Heading, Pitch & Roll, these elements comprise the composite pointing vector of the sensor, which is a key component of ISR SA.

Slant Range (Tag 21): While this information can be derived from other information regarding the position & orientation of the platform along with a terrain model, an independent measurement of the slant range to the target (or image center) improves confidence in the position knowledge.

Target Width (Tag 22): This element provides the analyst a quick reference of scale and ground sample distance of a primary object within the viewing area. It is a component of ISR SA.

Frame Center Latitude / Frame Center Longitude / Frame Center Elevation (Tags 23, 24, 25 | 78): These elements give the center-point of the imaging sensor (which, when combined with the field-of-view elements, define where the sensor is pointing) in support of D&R queries.

Security Classification / Classifying Country & Releasing Instructions Country Coding Method / Classifying Country / SCI-SHI Information / Caveats / Releasing Instructions (Tags 48/1-48/6): Classification information is required by D&R systems to determine appropriate distribution limits. This is a fundamental requirement of all data in the NSG.

Object Country Coding Method / Object Country Code (48/12-48/13): These elements support a fundamental D&R query regarding the country being imaged and support security / releasability decisions.

Security Metadata Version (Tag 48/22): This element ensures proper interpretation of the elements that comprise the Security Local Set as the standard evolves over time.

UAS Local Set Version (Tag 65): This element ensures proper interpretation of the elements that comprise the UAS Datalink Local Set as the standard evolves over time.

Motion Imagery Core Identifier (Tag 94): This element is a unique identifier for sensor data based upon the composite collection system and enables enterprise management of Motion Imagery data.